



THE DISTRACTED HEN.

No Use Cackling — Ducks will Swim.

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PUCKOGRAPHS. - L.

"SMOOTH ED.;" THE WISE COUNSELLOR OF THE THIRD AVENUE ROAD.

APRIL CHRONOLOGY.

- Diogenes induced to extend his quest to the United States Senate, B. C. 333. Petrarch began writing
- dialect verse, 1341.
- Damocles joined a "Don't Worry" club, B. C. 356.
- Nikola Tesla perfected a new way to get into
- print, 1895. Old King Midas invested in a gold brick, B. C. 750.
- Grand London revival of the "Flying Dutchman," 1900.
- First free lunch on record patronized by Elijah, B. C. 910.
- Juggernaut got a job as gripman on the Broadway Cable, 1899.
- Sherlock Holmes discovered who struck Billy Patterson, 1896.
- Andrew Carnegie gave a library to Frickville,
- Pa., 1900. "Doc." Nebuchadnezzar founded the cult of vegetarians, B. C. 551.
- New York Journal presented the earth with a new axis, 1897.
- 20 Ponce de Leon asked to undertake the capture of Aguinaldo, 1914.
- Achilles dragged Hector at the tail of his automobile, B. C. 1184. 22
- Sodom and Gomorrah applied for incorporation into Greater 23 New York, 1900.
- Burlesque show dragged off in New York in which two tens were 25 not exchanged for a five, 1894.
- 26 Hired man Hohenzollern threatened to quit unless he got a raise in salary, 1900.
- 28 Mr. Dusty Witewhing resigned his position as sweeper in the sixth district of the street cleaning department, 1891.
- 30 A Chicago man (whose name is withheld for obvious reasons) lost \$8,000,000 playing croquet, 1900. W. S. Adkins.

THE STRENUOUS.

CHICAGO MAN. - A strenuous civilization is continually raising new questions for adjudication.

OTHER MAN. - Yes?

CHICAGO MAN .- Oh, yes! Now, only the other day, for instance, our courts were called upon to decide whether sandbags should be taxed as real estate or personal property.

ALL IS FAIR AT THE PRIMARIES.

FIRST HEELER. - Dem fellers says we beat 'em at the primaries by fraud.

SECOND HEELER. - Hully Gee! Doin' de baby act, eh?

ENGLAND EXPECTS every man to do his duty. In the event of disappointment, she expects the press censor to do his duty.

THE NEWEST JOURNALISM.

SHANK .- Yes; Wadburner is quite an enterprising publisher. When Sheldon was running the Topeka Capital as Christ would run a newspaper, Wadburner proposed to run his paper, the Morning Caterwaul, as Satan would run it, and he came very near putting his project into execution.

O'SHAWE. - Why did n't he?

SHANK .- He could n't think of any changes to make.

JUST SO.

"What is an island?" asked the teacher, addressing

her interrogation to the class in geography.
"An island, Ma'am," replied Johnny Broadhead, a studious lad who had Porto Rico in mind, "is a body of land entirely surrounded by politics."

EXPANSION.

THE GENTILE.—He contracted too many debts, I 'm afraid. THE OTHER.—Ach! Egspansion vas der best bolicy!

ITS OUEST.

FIRST CITIZEN. - The Democratic Party is pursuing phantoms. SECOND CITIZEN. — Exactly! It would like to see the ghost of a chance.



HONEST CHILDHOOD.

FIRST BOY .- Ain't yer c-c-c-comin' in ? SECOND BOY .- De water looks cold! FIRST BOY. -- C-c-c-cold? N-n-not a b-b-bit! It 's w-w-w-warm as b-b-b-blisters! C-c-c-come on in!



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IT DEPENDS.

- "I suppose as we sow we shall reap, so to speak."
- "Yes; that is, if this fad lasts from seed-time until harvest."

A FABLE UP TO DATE.

ENTERPRISING Farmer who read the advertisements on the poultry page of the Home Paper bought an Incubator. Said he to his Wife: "We will grow Wealthy raising Fowls and selling the Eggs; and, then, when the Hens become too old to lay Eggs we will have a fine carload of Spring Chickens to ship to the City." And in the exuberance of his spirits he

spoke kindly to the Hired Man

that evening. The news that the Farmer had bought an Incubator soon spread to the Barnyard, and there was much disputatious cackling among the Hens as they discussed the venture. In a few days there appeared a Walking Delegate, from the poultry yard of an adjoining Farmer. Now, this Walking Delegate was a White Wyandotte Rooster, whose talents had never permitted him to engage in any practical occupation; consequently he had the interests of all laying hens at heart.

Said he to the Hens:
"Now, this Farmer, in
buying this Incubator, is attempting to supersede your
labor with machinery. I
understand the capacity of
his Machine is Two Hundred Eggs. Thus, it will
throw out of employment

at least fifteen Hens every three weeks. He will require your Eggs, however, to fill it. The Remedy is in your Hands. I most earnestly advise you to inaugurate a strike at once."

The Hens were overjoyed at learning of the power they held. That Evening, when the Farmer took his Pail and climbed over the Haymow, he did n't find Eggs enough to punctuate a Gold Standard Speech. The next Night the Results were the same, and also on the second Night following. Then the Farmer waxed indignant. Said he to his Wife:

"Those Hens have n't laid an Egg for three Days now; I think they are the Wrong Breed."

The following Day he sold the Butcher two Hundred Pounds of Dressed Poultry.

MORAL.—It is not judicious to Stop a Train by putting your Foot on the Rail.



CHWARZWANN

UNLIKE THE AVERAGE POET.

- "Oh, yes, indeed! He is a poet and he hath already achieved distinction."
- " How so?"
- "Why, by managing to make both ends meet."

ONE ADVANTAGE.

MAMA.—But those poor children in the tenements; — sometimes twenty families in one house!

LITTLE HAROLD.—Yes; but a fellow would have a lot of kids to play with!

AN INQUIRY.

SHE.—We have a very dramatic preacher.
HE. — Yes? Comedian

HE. — Yes? Comedian or tragedian?



HIS DISCOVERY.

Yer beginnin' to think a purtective tariff swindles the farmers, are you?" "Yes, I am. I kin see that the farmer don't allus have to go to town to git buncoed?"

MIGHT HAVE PREVENTED THE SECESSION.

"Yes," replied the philosophic monkey, after the Darwinian theory had been considered in all its bearings; "if our ancestors had only been gifted with more diplomatic foresight, and had had the power to enforce their policies, the monkey tribe would to-day be the leading race in the

"Ah!" inquired another monkey; "what policy do you think our ancestors should have adopted?"

"The policy of 'once a monkey, always a monkey."

AS IT SEEMED TO HER.

"A women in West Virginia has been cured of consumption by the bite of a copperhead snake," said Mr. Gazzam to his wife.

"Well, I 'd almost rather not have consumption than be cured by that remedy," replied Mrs. Gazzam.

AS TO THE BABY.

FRIEND. - Kicks about taking medicine, eh?

PAPA. - Oh, yes! - kicks like a faith curist!

INDEFINITE.

"How long will it be before Higbee recovers from his injuries?" "It will depend on when the rail-road company settles."



"Ah! Feela alla right now. It was nothing!"



(as the barrel of flour strikes).—
"Sacre! I musta not bea well! I
havea sudden weakness of ze knees!

BEHINDHAND.

MRS. VON BLUMER. - What is the latest news?

MRS. WITHERBY. - I don't know. I have n't seen a fashion paper for two days.

KNEW HOW.

WALKER. - Haines is a smart poker-player, all right.

FISHER. - Why, I did n't know he played!

WALKER. — Oh, yes! but never for money!

VIRTUE IS its own reward; but the opposition offers better inducements and does most of the trade.

THE VICIOUS, IN BOSTON.

"Yes," replied the Boston parent; "a boy soon acquires vicious habits if he is suffered to mingle with street Once I thought otherwise, and permitted our Emerson to choose his playmates, as chance should throw them in his way. It was n't a week, sir, until that boy, in spite of his hereditary tendencies and the careful home-training he had received, was asking me hypothetical questions that simply reeked with casuistry!"

AN OPINION.

"I think this Anglo-Irish entente is a little premature.

" Premature?"

"Yes. The Millennium is n't here



MRS. PACKANNINI.—Havea the finea feather bedsa now!

RECEIVED WITH THANKS.



EHOUSEMAN (on fourth floor). d heavens! the rope 's broke here goes that barrel of flour ne on the sidewalk will be and the

AT THE SIEGE OF TROY.

"Let the enemy be in what force he may," said the fierce Achilles, "I shall be the last man to turn my back!"

"Of course you will!" sneered Thersites; "you don't want the enemy at your heels!"

SHOULD BE RUSHED WITH ORDERS.

THE TAILOR. - Mr. Isaacs, your son owes me two hundred dollars.

MR. ISAACS .- My dear sir, if you do peezness dot vay, I 'm surbrised dot you haf any time to gollect bills.

HIS WAY.

LANDLADY (sympathetically) .- Why, how did you fall downstairs, Mr. Lanks?

BOARDER (with dignity) - Unexpectedly, Ma'am.

THE DIFFERENCE.

LITTLE ELMER. - Papa, what is a sot?

PROFESSOR BROADHEAD. - A sot, my son, is a poor man who gets drunk; a rich man who drinks to

excess is the possessor of a convivial

"MARRIAGE," said the cynic, "makes two one by reducing one to a

A WOMAN'S MODESTY is her crown of thorns, if short skirts are actually becoming to her.

FWE devote time enough to work to earn sufficient money to spend we have no time left in which to spend it; and if we take any time off to spend it we don't earn enough to keep body and soul together.

HUMPERDINCK (at Money Order Window). — I vant to send a money order.

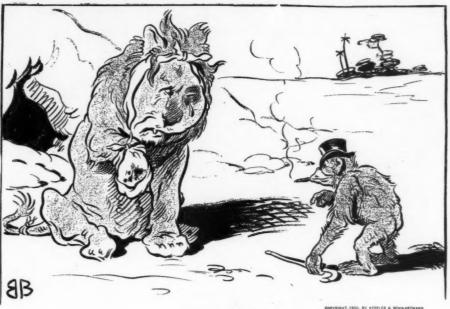
CLERK .- Domestic or for-

HUMPERDINCK .- Hah? CLERK.-Hoboken or Hamburg?



QUITE UNNECESSARY.

JACK HUGGARD.— Shall I ask your father? Miss Innit.— No; just lell him—you 're ig and strong you don't need to ask!



EX-CHAMPION.

THE MONK .- So you got badly whipped, eh? What are you going to do now? THE LION. - Open a saloon, of course!

WOULD NOT SUGAR-COAT THE PILL.

MRS. YOUNG .- Don't you believe in managing one's husband by letting him think he is having his own way? MRS. STRONG .- Decidedly not! Man should be made to feel his inferiority.

AS TO THE ANCIENT MARINER.

"Queer old salt, is n't he?"

" How?"

"Why, he never says 'shiver my timbers' or anything like that - swears just as you and I do."

HE DESCRIBES HIS EXPERIENCE.

FRIEND. - Well, what kind of a time did you have on your European trip?

RETURNED TOURIST. - Why, it was one continuous kick.

SIGNS.

"All signs fail in a dry town!" sighed the weary pilgrim, who had tried every wink in his repertoire on the girl at the soda fountain, only to get sarsaparilla at last.

MAY BE THE Censor is there to see that History does not repeat itself.

PERHAPS IT would be better to draw the octopi into society as much as possible, and trust to their glove bills to ruin them.



HE, SHE, AND IT.

RANDMA - I never even thought of slang, Such things were then improper; If I'd so much as mentioned "gang"-

SMALL VOICE (inadvertently) .-

You would have come a cropper.

GRANDMA. - And when my grandma spoke to me I never tried to stop her; But always listened patiently.

SMALL VOICE (premeditatively, but aside) .-I 'll bet that is a whopper!

GRANDMA.—And as for keeping "smelly" pets—

Guinea pigs and snakes in jars! And smoking nasty cigarettes!

SMALL VOICE (anticipatingly, and with great hope) .-You had n't none, and smoked cigars?

GRANDMA. -- I never "swiped" Mama's preserves, Never called the syrup "glue;"

Nor spoke of Grandma's ways as "curves."

SMALL VOICE (disgusted) .-Well, what did you ever do?

PURR FROM THE CAT .-

She was a counterpart of you. She lugged my father thro' the house, By the ears and upside down; I saw her watch poor Mister Mouse -

SMALL VOICE (as one having experience).-

Sure she did n't help him drown? She overturned, on him, a pail, CAT.-

Often set the house alight, And once she bit the puppy's tail-

SMALL VOICE (hopefully) .-

Did she ever swear and fight? CAT.-And daily in the pond she fell, Always yelled the most at night,

Could not resist the neighbor's bell -SMALL VOICE (delightedly) .-

And kicked and squirmed-just for spite?

GRANDMA.- Now, Boy Blue, go out and play, But keep this side of Roy's hill!

CAT.-Go far! Keep going - far away! SMALL VOICE (opposingly) .-

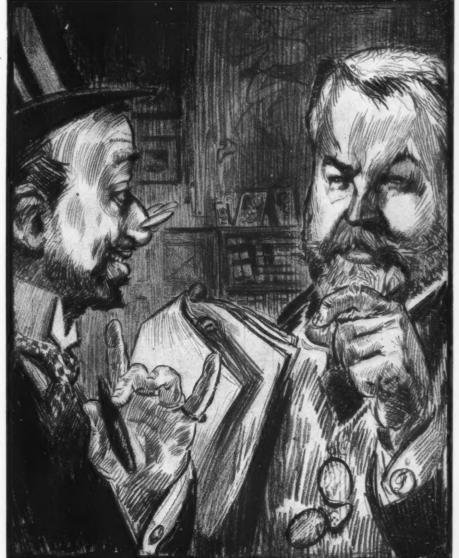
Can't! I 've got a cat to kill!

Powell T. Manning.

TOO SELF-POSSESSED.

ADA. - Then you have n't quite decided to accept him? MAY .- Not quite. In fact, I 'm not sure that he is so very much in love with me. When he proposed he did n't talk a bit incoherently.

To THE Protectionist duty and pleasure are one.



A COLD-BLOODED PROPHET.

DRAMATIC AUTHOR (after reading first two acts of his play) .- Now, then, can you tell now how the play is going to end? MANAGER. - Sure, I can! AUTHOR. - How? MANAGER. - The second night.



THE BOY. — Golly! De fishin' 'roun' here ain't what it used ter be. De fish am gittin' better sense wusser appetites!

ENDLESS-CHAIN LUXURIES.

"Ethel Perkins is so extravagant!"

"Etnel Per

"Yes; a chiffon necktie does n't last her any longer than a glass of ice-cream soda."

ROOM FOR RETROGRESSION.

DRUMMER.—Your village band is pretty poor, is n't it?

PETTYVILLE MERCHANT.—Yes; but it could be worse; —there might be more of 'em.

EVEN MORE IMPORTANT.

"In Wall Street," observed his friend, "I

suppose the important thing is to know when

"Well," said the broker, "for most people, I think the important thing is to stop before they get to Wall Street."

NO WARNING.

Belle.— Jack kissed me before I knew it.
MAUDE.— How could he?
Belle.— He did n't turn down the gas.

TERSELY TOLD.

TEACHER.—What is the giraffe noted for, Johnny?

JOHNNY MULBERRY.— Fer bein' de skyscraper
uv de jungle push!

HIS INQUIRY.

CHRONIC DYSPEPTIC (also bore).—I am actually reduced to a walking skeleton, and—

HEARTLESS MAN. - That so? Why don't you ride?

"Nothing," says Coke, "is at the same time invented and perfected."

That is the reason that fools are always practicing to perfect their folly. It is also the reason why there is no fool like an old fool.

DECLINING UTILITY.

INTERVIEWER. — Do you believe our missionaries do much good in the East?

HERR LANDGRAB (European statesman).—Not so much as they used. The natives are getting afraid to kill them.

ALAS!

Though love may make the world go round, Our duty 't is to speak; It won't repeat the miracle With Cholly's ten per week.

ELEVATING the stage consists fully as much in buying tickets when a good play appears as in writing letters to the newspapers when a



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A PREFERENCE.

"Vell, it is bossible for a man to haf plenty of moneysh undt still be unhappy."

"Yes; but I vould radder be unhappy mit moneysh dan mitout it."



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CARTOONS AND COMMENTS.

"JACK HE CASE of Admiral Dewey suggests a paradoxical ASHORE." blending of fact and metaphor. That is, the moment a sailor gets ashore he seems to be all at sea. The Admiral's notion of the job of being President of the United States also recalls an anecdote which has the time-tested qualities of a classic. musician at a country dance becoming indisposed, one of the youths present was asked if he could play the fiddle. His cheerful and amiable reply was: "I don't know. May be I could; - I never tried it." It is not easy to say much more about the Admiral's hand-made candidacy. For the sake of variety in politics, and of needed stimulus to certain candidates with better prospects than his, we are tempted to wish that the stuff of it were stouter than it appears to be. But, since Admirals as strong as Dewey is are few, and candidates as weak as he might be are many, we think he would do better by himself and his country to fire up and put to sea.

PROTECTION VS EXPANSION.

DEEP THINKERS—and not so very deep, either—have often suggested during the last two years that Expansion and Protection were no gods to set up in the same temple. It was seen that there must be

ceaseless combat between them; that the Constitution of the United States decrees that they shall fight until one is dead. Protectionists at first scoffed at the warning. Lately they have shown the embarrassment of nervousness. The truth has been sweated into them. Henceforth they may be expected to show panic in all its phases. At present the device of submitting to all but fifteen per cent. of the inevitable is engaging them. "Even if we are one people, why may we not protect ourselves from one another?" they argue. The Supreme Court may be relied upon to stop this nonsense. One of the gods must be razed. If it prove to be Protection, we shall view Expansion with increased respect.

PRESBYTERIAN TROUBLES.

DUCK believes in living one life at a time: yet he admits an interest in the formula for living two which is at present giving so much concern to the Presbyterian Church. Apparently there is a considerable element in the Church that demands a revision of its creed. So much is clear. The rest, according to our lay understanding, is perplexity. The situation, as we gather it, is this: those demanding revision do so on the ground that the Westminster Confession is, in effect, out of date. As one prominent light of the Church lately affirmed from his pulpit: "I would rather shake my fist in the face of the Eternal and fling every vile epithet toward the stainless throne than lift my hand with that creed towards God's throne and affirm that I taught or believed it." This gentleman, who, curiously enough, still considered himself a good Presbyterian, was promptly forced to withdraw. And here is the perplexity. For it appears that neither does anybody else in the Church believe or teach this creed; yet those that speak out about their unbelief are expelled. We can not follow the reasoning, if reasoning there be. Can any good come of holding publicly and officially to that which is informally admitted to be false? If the creed is privately condemned why are its assailants publicly condemned? The Catholic Church the other day very summarily ejected a prominent member because he would not say he believed the world was made in six of our days, and confessed incredulity that the first animals came up to Adam to be named. But the Catholic Church is the frank and avowed champion of Ignorance, which is its sole bulwark. It is, therefore, beautifully consistent. But, so long as the Presbyterian Church professes not to be a foe to enlightenment, the necessity will grow upon it to speak out.

THE HALF-CENT has for a long time been a mere bargain-THE HALFcounter fiction in this country. Now a proposal is forward CENT. to resume its coinage. It has been variously received. The heavier weight of opinion seems to be against it. It is urged that this is not a half-cent country; that we are not poor enough to need the humble half-cent. But, what is a poor country, anyway? Is it a country

where you have to pay much for little; or one where you pay little for much? May not the need for half-cents be a sign of riches instead of poverty? Is n't the need to be determined simply by whether there is anything you can buy for half a cent? If the half-cent's worth has become an appreciable quantity, is n't that a sign of plenty — an indication that the needs of life may be supplied with less effort? The question is recommended to debating clubs and as a choice theme for graduating essays.

WE HAVE long regarded the entertaining quality of its FLYING MACHINES. flying-machine stories as not the least justification

for the daily press. Enough inventive genius has gone into their construction, we doubt not, to have perfected a machine beyond the wildest dreams of any actual student of aërostatics. They had fallen off of late, but now one comes from Texas that revives our fainting faith in the National Association of Flying-Machine Liars. Note its piquancy. The charter of the Custead Air-Ship Company has been filed at Austin, Texas. Capital stock \$100,000. The inventor is a railroad station agent at Elm Mott, Texas. He has made a working model and its demonstration was successful. The first machine will be done "about July 20th." The inventor will sail in it to New York. "After remaining there a few days he will cross the Atlantic" and exhibit his machine at the Paris Exposition. The company will then proceed to manufacture "smaller machines with a capacity of one man, to cost \$500." "Regular air-ship lines will be established between all the principal cities of this country and between New York and Europe." This is fresh stuff. In the old-fashioned stories the machine was always detected while in the act of hovering over a western town at a height of two miles, citizens of the most unimpeachable veracity ever had the good luck to observe it. No chronic liar by any mischance was ever known to behold one. It is in the business-like realism of this story that its superiority So firm a hold has it taken upon us that we have refrained from consulting a gazetteer to find if there be such a place as Elm Mott, Texas.

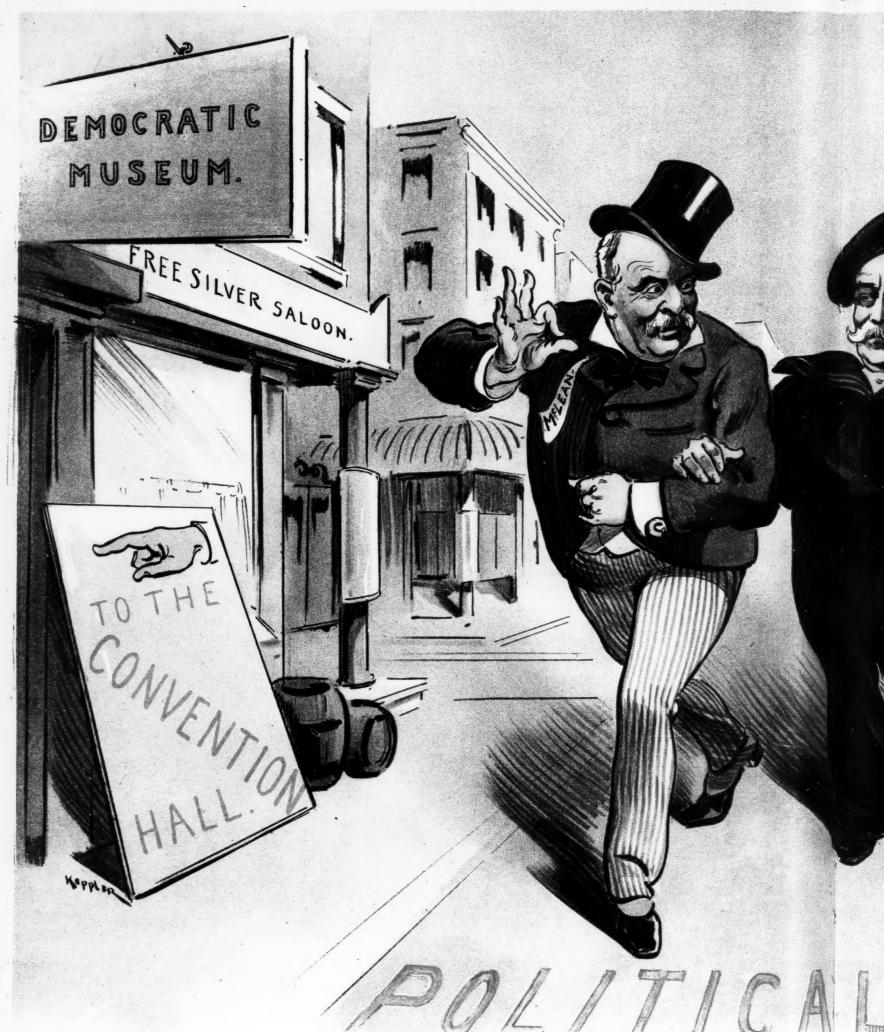
APART.

Keep body and soul together? Oh! I could n't pay the bills! My soul soars up to the Waldorf, while My body stops at the Mills!



ENCOURAGING NEWS.

- "There is an excellent report from our missionary in Timbuctoo."
- "Oh, yes! He says that the natives in his flock are preparing to hold a progressive euchre!"



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MULLIGAN'S HISTORY OF THE ANGLO-BOER WAR.

CHAPTER XI. - BLOEMFONTEIN.

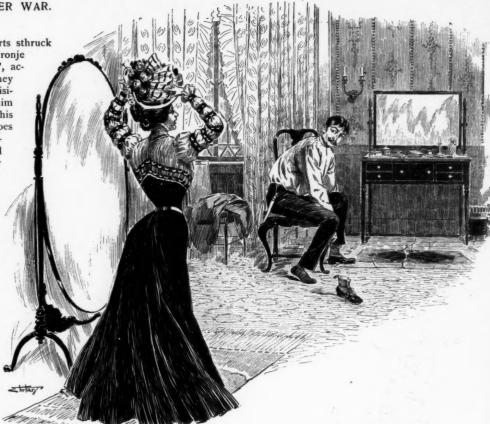
the Boers afther the surrinder av Cronje was a place called Poplar's Grove; an', accordin' to all the spicial correspondints, they cud n't get away from him fast enough. Prisidint Kruger an' Prisidint Steyn implored thim wit' tears in their eyes to make a stand, this touchin' scene bein' witnessed through tillyscopes

at a distance av foive moiles by all the newspaper min an' the priss cinsor. But the divil a stand wud the bur-rghers make, so the two Prisidints dried their eyes an' j'ined in the disordherly floight. An' the newspaper min seemed to be av the opinion that the war was as good as over an' that the backbone av the Boers was broken an' that they wud daypind in the future on their feet, an' rumors began to shpread that they had dischar-rged all their Jarman sthrategists an' subtichooted some vit'rans av the Filipino ar-rmy who was tachin' thim that the ladin' pr-rinciple av the ar-rt av war was to scoot airly an' often.

But things was not quoite so bad wit' the bur-rghers as thot. Oi have it from me frind, the spicial correspondint av the Donnybrook Daily Ruction, who was at the front wit' the Boers, thot as soon as the bur-rghers an' the two Prisidints raycovered their breath afther this affair at Poplar Grove, they ixplained to the vinirable shtatesmin thot they was far from bein' daymoraloized or fr-roightened, but was merely ixicutin' a new military manewver known in the thrade as meltin' away. "'T is not," says they, "thot we have the laste thought av givin' up the shtruggle. We'll foight to the ind in the last ditch or, as we say out here, on the last kopje; but, sure, the last kopje is a divil av a long way from here. But this meltin' away," says they, "is the natural an' pr-roper thing to do whin things get too hot; whin they cool off we 'll come togither ag'in. Go home," says they, "an' attind to the diplomatic ind av this throuble an' lave the rest to us an' we 'll show thim r-rooineks thot they 're not at the ind av their casu-

An', sure enough, the nixt day there was n't a Boer to be found; an' the day afther thot they was found inixpictedly at a place called Dreifontein an' they gev Roberts the shtiffest koind av an ar-rgymint an' four hundred casualities. An' the spicial correspondints was a little bit shook in their opinion thot the war was over. But thot was the last foight of

anny account that tuk place on the road to Bloemfontein an' Roberts was soon able to tillygraph thot he had intired the Free Shtate capital in throiumph an' was resavved wit' gr-reat inthusiasm by the inhabitants who seemed overj'yed to see him. Sich av thim as was not overj'yed had left in disgust an' wint off to the north an'. unfortunately, they tuk the Free Shtate ar-rtillery wit' thim to imphasoize their sintimints, an' 't was thought that sooner or later Roberts wud foind thim makin' histhry on a kopje or a kloof or some other thing aiquilly inconvaynient. An' there was great j'y in London an' there wud have been more, only it was raymimbered that the road from Bloemfontein to Pr-raytoria was a gr-reat dale longer an' harder to thravel than aiven the cillybr-rated road fr-rom Schinictiddy to Troy.



THE ONLY WAY.

Mrs. Bowers.— I shall select a necktie for you when I am in town to-day, John. Mr. Bowers.— Before you select it, will you have the clerk blindfold you?

MRS. BOWERS.—Blindfold me? Are you crazy?

Mr. Bowers.—No! By being blindfolded there is a chance that you may strike one that I could wear!

An' about this toime Prisidint Kruger med up his moind thot war is a horrible thing an' shud be av'ided by chur-rch mimbers whin thot can be convayniently done, an' he cabled to Lord Salisbury thot he was willin' to for-rgive an' for-get an' let bygones be bygones an' he wud n't insist on annexin' anny par-rt av the Br-ritish Impoire. An' Lord Salisbury

cabled back that the Br-ritish Impoire was always in favor av pace whin it cud have its own way wit'out goin' to war; but, much as he wud loike to settle the prisint throuble, he cud not think av doin' so wit'out conferrin' on the bur-rghers all the binifits av Br-ritish rule. Before the war, av coorse, he niver wanst thought av sich a thing as annixin' the Thransvaal, but since the foightin' begun it had suddintly occurred to him thot annixation wud be the best thing in the wur-ruld for all consarned. An' thin Kruger sint out a bould dayfoiance sayin' he wud foight to the bitther ind. An' there was an onaisy feelin' thot maybe he wud.



HOW IT LOOKED.

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NORAH. — Ole man Costigan 's goin' home sober.

ALICE. — Sure enough! Dey must have company!

THE BOERS, evidently, can be routed without any appreciable injury to their morale.



Purity Built it

The first brewery of Jos. Schlitz was a hut, but the beer that was brewed there was honest. That was fifty years ago. Today the magnificent Schlitz Brewery forms a monument to that honesty.

From the very beginning the main object has been to attain absolute purity. In Schlitz beer pure yeast was first introduced in America. In the Schlitz Brewery are all the inventions men have made for protecting beer from impurities. Schlitz beer is even cooled in filtered air; then it is filtered, then sterilized. It is well aged to avoid the cause of biliousness.

Ask your physician about Schlitz beer, and you'll drink it. If all men knew what we know about it, this brewery would have to be fifty times as large.



Everyone is Interested

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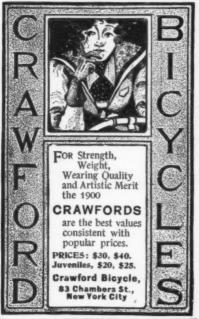
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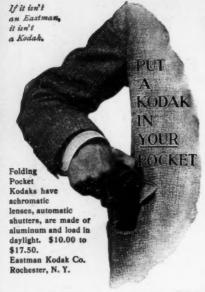
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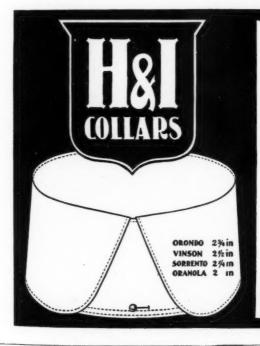
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